

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Please amend paragraphs 25 and 30 of the disclosure as follows:

[0025] The enclosing band 40 has a first diameter. The draft tube 22 has a first inside wall 44 that has a second diameter. The second diameter is measured adjacent the band 40 and is shown to be greater than the first diameter of the band 40 in Figs. 1 and 2A. The first inside wall 44 of the draft tube 22 is recessed outwardly as shown by a step 48 from the band 40. The draft tube 22 is also shown to diverge outwardly ~~of~~ as the draft tube 22 extends in the downstream direction. In Fig. 2B, the first inside wall 44 of the draft tube 22 is substantially a continuum surface from band 40 in the water passageway 22.

[0030] The installation 10 further includes an oxygen containing gas supply 70 (see FIG. 23) in the form of two pipes 72 that pass along the person access passageway 66, through the first inside wall 44 of the draft tube 22 and into the gas distribution manifold 50. In the embodiment shown there are two gas supply entrances to the manifold 50. It should be understood that more than two pipes 72 or only one pipe 72 may be utilized. The oxygen containing gas supply 70 provides oxygen in the gas either in the form of ambient air under no pressure, a pressurized gas, or a pressurized ambient air. The gas flows either under pressure or due to the venturi effect along the pipes 72, into the gas distribution manifold 50 and out the plurality of outlet ports 56 into the water passing through the passageway 12 in the draft tube 22. This introduction of the oxygen containing gas into the water passageway 12 of the turbine 18 increases the dissolved oxygen in the water discharged from the water passageway 12.